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Criminal Division

Deputy Assistant Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

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By E-File

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Federal Communications Commission 445 12th St. SW, Room TW-B204 Washington, DC 20554

Re: <u>WC Docket No. 05-168</u>

Domestic Section 214 Application Filed for Transfer of Control *Nunc Pro Tunc* of Empire One Telecommunications, Inc., Debtor-in-Possession, to Empire One Telecommunications, Inc.

IB File No. ITC-ASG-20050304-00088

Application for consent to assign the international Section 214 authorizations, ITC-214-19940624-00006 and ITC-ASG-19991202-00780, held by Empire One Telecommunications, Inc., Debtor-in-Possession, to Empire One Telecommunications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Department of Justice ("DOJ"), including the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI"), with the concurrence of the Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), requests that the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") defer action on the above-referenced applications of Empire One Telecommunications, Inc., Debtor-in-Possession, and Empire One Telecommunications, Inc. (together, the "Applicants"), until such time as DOJ, FBI, and DHS (i) notify the Commission that potential national security, law enforcement, and public safety issues raised by the applications have or have not been resolved, and (ii) on that basis, request appropriate action by the Commission. Necessarily, DOJ, FBI, and DHS also request that the Commission remove the applications from streamlined processing.

After receiving notice of the applications, DOJ, FBI, and DHS have been in contact with the Applicants to request additional information relating to national security, law enforcement, and public safety concerns. DOJ, FBI, and DHS will advise the Commission promptly upon completion of our review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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